

LAST DAYS OF CONGRESS ARE FULL OF LIFE

Exciting Debates in Both Senate and House.

CANNON REMOVES HIS COAT

Debate in the House One of the Most Heated of the Session—Hot Words Banded Back and Forth—A Day of Strife and Turmoil in the Senate—A Wrangle Over Armor Plate.

Washington, June 6.—When the house tonight at 10:30 took a recess, the narrow margin of the two chambers of the national legislature, with heads down and horns locked, were in a desperate struggle over the item in the naval appropriation bill relating to armor plate. The final adjournment of congress is postponed until it is over.

Heated Debate. The debate was one of the most heated of the session. Mr. Cannon, in the excitement of the moment, took off his collar and necktie and, with sleeves rolled up, aroused the house to a tremendous pitch of enthusiasm as he dealt the conferees sledgehammer blows.

Inability to reach an agreement upon the naval appropriation bill forced the senate to abandon the adoption of the house resolution for final adjournment today. The armor plate question, which for five years has been a thorn in the side of congress, upset the calculations of the senate leaders and their well laid plans went awry.

The evening session presented a brilliant scene, the galleries being thronged with a gay and fashionable assemblage. All were immensely entertained, as Senators Carter, Montana; Mason, Illinois; Turner, Washington, and Money, Mississippi, kept the senate on edge with rattling political speeches.

Penrose Amendment. The Penrose amendment to the naval bill is as follows: That the secretary of the navy is hereby authorized to procure by contract armor of the best quality for any or all vessels above referred to, provided such contracts can be made at a price which, in his judgment, is reasonable and equitable, but in case he is unable to make contract for armor under the above conditions he is hereby authorized and directed to procure a site for and erect thereon a factory for the manufacture of armor, and the sum of \$4,000,000 is hereby appropriated toward the erection of said factory.

WILL MAN ST. LOUIS CARS.

Three Hundred and Fifty Men Leave Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, June 6.—Three hundred and fifty motormen and conductors left here at 6 o'clock tonight on a special train over the Pennsylvania railroad for St. Louis, where they, it is said, will take the places of the strikers of the St. Louis Transit company. The men are said to be experienced electric street railway men, and were selected from nearly 1,000 applicants from this city and vicinity. The men are promised steady work at \$2 per day. The transportation and expenses will be paid by the company if they remain in its employ for thirty days.

The men are in charge of N. J. Fitzgerald, who says he is the agent of the St. Louis Transit company. A large quantity of food was taken along. Agent Fitzgerald said the men might encounter some trouble on their arrival in St. Louis, but did not expect any serious difficulty, as he had been promised ample protection.

CONGRESSIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Statement of the Expenditures of the Congress Prepared by Senator Allison—Cause of the Increase.

Washington, June 6.—A carefully prepared statement on the appropriations of the session was made tonight by Senator Allison, chairman of the senate committee on appropriations, and Chairman Cannon, of the house committee on appropriations, in accordance with custom. The statement says: The appropriations made by the first session of the 56th congress amount to \$762,729,476. The sum included \$13,947,155, estimated to be on account of the late war with Spain and deducting it, the remaining amount, \$748,782,321, is the ordinary appropriation made for the support of the government during this session.

It will be observed that after deducting the amounts estimated to have been appropriated for the war with Spain for the current and the last fiscal year, the appropriations for the ordinary business of the government for the fiscal year 1900, which immediately preceded the Spanish war, are as follows: \$748,782,321, for 1899, \$748,782,321, for 1900, \$748,782,321, for 1901, \$748,782,321, for 1902.

Words of Explanation. These increases in federal appropriations need no defense and but a word of explanation. The amount for the department of agriculture is a provision made with the nature of the demands of the agricultural interests of the country. For the increase of the navy the excess over the appropriations of 1898 is necessary for the purchase of armor, armor and equipment of battleships, cruisers, and torpedo boats, heretofore authorized and is no more than is absolutely necessary toward placing the navy on a footing of equality with the navies of other nations. Much of the actual increase is attributable to the increased volume of business in the treasury, war and navy departments, incident to the war with Spain, although no part of it is included in the table which is submitted in increased appropriations account of the war.

G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT.

Gettysburg Is Chosen as the Next Meeting Place.

Gettysburg, Pa., June 6.—The annual encampment of the department of Pennsylvania, Grand Army of the Republic, organized here this morning by electing the following officers: Department commander, General Charles Miller, of Franklin; senior vice-commander, John N. Banks, of Indiana; junior vice-commander, William R. Parks, of Easton; medical director, George W. Parker, of Philadelphia, and chaplain, John W. Sayers, of Philadelphia.

HOBBSON IS ILL.

Has Been Found Unfit for Duty at Manila.

Washington, June 6.—Naval Constructor Hobson, the hero of the Merrimack, now at Manila, has been found unfit for duty because of his physical condition. He will be given a leave of absence and another constructor will be detailed to fill his position temporarily.

Maloney Nominated for President.

New York, June 6.—Joseph F. Maloney, nomination here for president of the United States is a native of Lynn, Mass., about 60 years of age and for some time has been connected with the mercantile business. He is a machanic, but five years ago became state organizer for the Socialist labor party.

Hungarian Miners Burned.

Altoona, Pa., June 6.—Emile Hummer, a Hungarian, was burned to death today in a fire which destroyed a number of houses in the mining town of Lilly, Cambria county. Several miners were horribly burned. It is supposed the men were in a drunken stupor when the fire occurred, as those rescued were dragged out unable to help themselves.

Pennsylvania Postmasters.

Washington, June 6.—Samuel P. Totten was today appointed postmaster at Shaverton, Luzerne county.

OPERATIONS AT A STANDSTILL

The Tired Troops of Lord Roberts Given a Rest.

PREPARING FOR A CHASE

The British Magazines and Warehouses Are Being Filled with Supplies—Pretoria the New Military Base—The Most Important Boer Army Is Now at Laing's Nek.

London, June 7, 3:15 a. m.—Military operations in South Africa are apparently at a standstill. For a day or two the tired troops of Lord Roberts are resting and he is filling the magazines and warehouses at his new base, Pretoria, preparatory to a long chase after the retreating Boers in the direction of Lydenburg. His cavalry are probably seeking to intercept Commandant General Botha.

Some despatches are to hand which left Pretoria Monday, while the fighting was going on outside the city. They come by way of Lourenzo Marques. One of them says: "Toward the end of the day when the British naval guns were shelling the southern forts a number of projectiles burst, damaging the suburbs. All day armed burghers have been leaving Pretoria, going east. The greater part of the railway rolling stock has been removed.

General Botha was fighting an essentially rear guard action, his object being not to defend Pretoria, but to delay Lord Roberts until the railway switch had been removed and the main part of the Boer army had started to withdraw. The British advance appears to have left open to the Boers the best line of retreat along the railway.

Probably the most important Boer army is at Laing's Nek, where both sides are passive. General Bullard and General Brabant have withdrawn a little southward.

London, June 7.—The Lourenzo Marques correspondent of the Times, telegraphing June 5, says: "According to refugees from Pretoria, thousands of burghers under General Botha have taken an oath to continue the struggle to the bitter end."

Officers Captured by Boers. London, June 6.—Among the officers of the Thirtieth Imperial Yeomanry captured by the Boers are the Earl of Leitrim, Earl of Longford and the Earl of Ennismore.

AGUINALDO'S FATE.

Manila, June 6.—A despatch from Candon, dated June 4, says Major March's men of the Thirty-third regiment returned to Candon, that day, by steamer from Aparri. A majority of the men are ready for the hospital. They are thin and weak, having travelled 250 miles in the mountains, during which time they suffered greatly from hunger. The battalion practically collapsed at Platt, as the result of fevers and exhaustion. Eighty-seven of the men were conveyed from Platt to Muguogero in bull carts.

The officers say it is all guess work as to whether Aguinaldo was shot. When the Americans struck Sagua the insurgent chief divided his force into parties of ten, following different trails. The chief shot was perhaps Aguinaldo's secretary or adjutant.

Coal and Coke Shipments.

Philadelphia, June 6.—Pennsylvania railroad coal and coke shipments east of Pittsburg and Erie, for the week ending June 2, 1900, to that date in comparison with the previous year are as follows: Week ending June 2: Anthracite, 74,000 tons; bituminous, 16,660; total, 90,660; week ending June 2: Anthracite, 1,088,498; bituminous, 8,297,915; coke, 87,949,818; total, 12,787,141. Year 1899 to June 2: Anthracite, 1,099,427; bituminous, 5,712,401; coke, 3,103,209; total, 11,415,137.

Fitz Cannot Box June 15.

New York, June 6.—Robert Fitzsimmons, the pugilist, was examined at Bellevue hospital today by Dr. John H. Sullivan, who announced that Fitz is suffering from an abscess on his left knee. This abscess was injured in Fitzsimmons' recent bout with Danquhart and has since pained him greatly. Dr. Sullivan gave him a certificate of injury and said positively that he could not box with Nathan on June 15.

Board of Agriculture.

Lock Haven, June 6.—The spring session of the state board of agriculture met here today. The board is composed of 18 members, one from each county, and Dr. N. C. Schaefer as permanent president.



PRETORIA, CAPITAL OF BOER REPUBLIC.

ACCUSED OF PASSING BOGUS BANK NOTES

Another Arrest in the Never Ending Lancaster Counterfeiting Affair—Daniel Hayes Fought 'Twentyties.'

Philadelphia, June 6.—The United States secret service operatives sprung another surprise here tonight, when they made an additional arrest in the great counterfeiting conspiracy which was unearthed in this city and in Lancaster. The man apprehended tonight is Daniel H. Hayes, a yard man in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad, who was taken into custody by Secret Service Operative Wm. J. Burns, on the charge of having passed \$20 counterfeit Hamilton head treasury notes. He was held in \$10,000 bail by Commissioner Craig for a hearing tomorrow.

This city was recently flooded with bogus \$20 notes and the government operatives quickly landed Harry Taylor, a brother of Arthur Taylor, the expert engraver, who executed all the bogus plates in connection with the conspiracy and who admitted that he engraved the \$20 Hamilton plate. At the time of Harry Taylor's arrest the secret service operatives knew that another man had been operating with him, but he refused to divulge his partner's identity. The government detectives, however, soon got on the trail with the result that Hayes was arrested today.

PRIZE MEDALS AWARDED.

Feature of the 51st Meeting of the American Medical Association.

Atlantic City, June 6.—The interesting event at today's session of the fifty-first annual meeting of the American Medical Association was the awarding of the two academy prizes for essays. Dr. E. C. Bonstedt, of Buffalo, N. Y., receiving the first trophy, for his paper on "Quarantine Tests for Prothrombin," and second, or Nicholas Senn gold medal, was given to Dr. M. C. Gregory of Chicago, who dealt with the subject of "Chromography of the Blood." Both are young men, and when receiving the honors were given ovations.

Funeral Directors Meet.

Hackett, June 6.—The nineteenth annual convention of the Pennsylvania Funeral Directors' association opened here this morning with President Oster, of Columbia, in the chair. The address of welcome was delivered by the Hon. W. W. Foster, after which the several committees of the convention were appointed. J. S. Pearce, of Ardmore, president of the National Funeral Directors' association, delivered an address at the afternoon session. There were about 200 delegates in attendance.

Krause Kills His Brother.

Philadelphia, June 6.—During a quarrel today between Nathan and Morris Krause, brothers, Nathan shot and instantly killed Morris. He was placed under guard. Nathan is 40 years old and Morris was 25. Nathan, who is suffering from consumption, made a demand by messenger to take him to Colorado. Morris refused and Nathan thereupon shot him.

Corporations Chartered.

Harrisburg, June 6.—These corporations were chartered today by the state department: Lenten Brick company, Philadelphia, capital \$50,000; People's Power and Water Company, New Cumberland, capital \$13,000; Pierre Steamship company, Armonia township, Bradford county, capital \$2,000.

Killed on a Freight Car.

Reading, June 6.—Thomas Priesner, of Girardville, and his companion, who gave the name of Michael Gilroy, who was found unconscious yesterday morning on top of a refrigerator car in one of the Reading's fast freight trains, died at the Reading hospital today from the effects of their injuries.

CARLISLE COMMENCEMENT.

Prizes Awarded for Merit at the Institution—Degrees Conferred.

Carlisle, Pa., June 6.—Today was commencement day at Dickinson college. President Reed presided at the exercises. Orations were delivered by S. A. Vandewater, of New York; Edward Kline, Philadelphia; J. M. Clarke, Wheeling; Eugene H. Brock, Olean, N. Y.; J. H. Hall, Mill Hill; C. S. Burchinal, Canterbury, Del., and Boyd L. Spahr, of Mechanicsburg. Prizes were awarded as follows: Gold Medal—T. S. Wright, E. C. Amerman, Percy H. Connor, Geo. H. Bousner, Silver Medal—Andrew B. Wood, \$100 Prizes—Geo. S. Chambers, Thos. E. Redding, David R. Leib, Jas. S. Stearns, \$25 Prizes—Boyd L. Spahr, Leroy McMaster, Francis A. Manlove, Arthur S. Loop, C. H. Giegerich, David D. Leib, J. M. Arthur, Andrew Kerr, H. W. Mulholland, Kent J. Brown, E. F. Ham, J. Perry Wood, J. M. Arthur, Jas. Miller, Dorsey, \$15 Prize—Thomas E. Redding.

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The Indiana Democrats.

Indianapolis, June 6.—The Democratic state convention today nominated John W. Beta for governor on the first ballot. The remainder of the ticket is as follows: Lieutenant governor, John C. Lawler; secretary of state, Adam Belmont; auditor, John W. Miner; state treasurer, James Heff; attorney general, C. P. Drummond; delegates at large, Samuel J. Morse, Hugh Dougherty, James Murdoch and George B. Myers. The mention of Hyman's name in the address of the convention officers were greeted with demonstrative cheering and waving of hands.

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HARD FIGHTING IN CHINA

Engagement Near Peking Between "Boxers" and Troops.

GREAT ALARM AT PEKIN

Many Killed on Each Side—Japan Objects to Preponderance of Russian Force in the Chinese Capital—Collision Said to Be Inevitable if the Czar's Government Persists in Present Course—Hurried Mobilization of Mikado's Fleet—British Minister Ill.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

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